

Dear Editors of World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery,

We are sending you the revised manuscript entitled: **“RISK FACTORS FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION AND ITS PROGNOSTIC IMPLICATION IN CURATIVE GASTRECTOMY FOR GASTRIC CANCER”**.

The manuscript was revised according to the reviewers' comments and responses to each question are provided below.

We are glad for the opportunity to send the revised manuscript to this renowned journal.

Thank you in advance for your time.

Respectfully,

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Response to the Reviewer(s)' Comments

REVIEWER #1:

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors: The content of the article is well-written. The content of the surgery is reasonable, the statistical analysis is appropriate, and the discussion is up-to-date. The disappointing point is that there is nothing new in the content, but the value of the article is high, and it is worthy of publication. The only problem is that the presence or absence of chemotherapy is not included as a univariate/multivariate analysis item affecting survival. The presence or absence of chemotherapy contributes to the prevention of recurrence and the improvement of prognosis, so this item should also be considered.

Response: We agree with the comment and, as suggested, chemotherapy was added in the survival analysis.

REVIEWER #2:

Scientific Quality: Grade C (Good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors: The manuscript is appropriate, except demand for minor language polishing.

Response: The article was extensively revised, and the necessary language corrections were made.